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Theodore Parker.

Dear Sir,

I enclose
herewith, two little volumes, by way
of preface to a request I have to
make, if I may be assured of an
excuse for presenting it to one to whom
I am personally unknown & on
whom I have therefore no claims.
^{I hope} But I think that a wish to promote
the principles of freedom in the
community will justify me ^{to your} in
asking of you the favour
of writing an article for "the
Liberty Bell" this year. Mr Lundy
who, I believe is a neighbor &
friend of yours will be able to assure
you that so simple a means as the
issue of no better a little book than
this, ^{as it avers, sound principles} has done much good among

a class of minds who "desecrate
I vulgar looking newspapers,"

With your good help we will
make the book better this year

I am Sir

Yours with high respect
A. W. Chapman